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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Gans *et al.*

United States

Application No: 10/825,977

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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR
ENHANCING CORTICOSTEROID DELIVERY :

Group Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: WANG, Shengjun

Docket No.: 01-40326-US-C

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Kindly amend the application as follows.

1. (currently amended) A composition comprising

One or more corticosteroids;

Two or more penetration enhancers; and

One or more of the group consisting of solvents and emulsifiers, wherein the penetration enhancers are present in a ratio to a total of the penetration enhancers, and solvents and emulsifiers of at least about ~~0.70~~ 0.90.

2. (original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the corticosteroid comprises a fluorinated corticosteroid.

3. (canceled)

4. (original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the corticosteroid comprises fluocinolone acetoneide.